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## PROSPEROUS YEAR.

### Nova Scotia Fisheries and Other Pursuits Boomed in 1905.

The Halifax Chronicle has published a special New Year's number devoted mostly to story of prosperity of Nova Scotia during the year 1905. In the column of annual wealth the figure shows that the value of the Nova Scotia fisheries for the year was \$9,000,000. The edition contains many special articles of various industries of the Provinces, going into many of them at great length. The fisheries come in for a very large share of attention, as do the dogfish reduction plants and the great great number of bait freezers that have been erected during the year. A comprehensive table of fish prices for the past 20 years shows that last year holds the record for high prices on dry fish and herring. Canso and Lunenburg and other big fishing centres all report prosperous years in their fisheries although the catch of bait at some places was small, while at Canso it was extra good. Eighteen bait freezers were built during the year and the dogfish plants were run overtime. All in all it was a big year for Nova Scotia.

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## DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

### To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Flora J. Sears, via Boston.  
Sch. Fanny Belle Atwood, via Boston, 15,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Mary E. Cooney, via Boston.  
Sch. Walter P. Goulart, via Boston.  
Sch. Mary E. Silveira, via Boston.  
Sch. Mand F. Silva, via Boston.  
Sch. Mary Cabral, via Boston.  
Sch. Ida S. Brooks, via Boston.  
Sch. Rita A. Viator, via Boston.  
Sch. Catherine D. Enos, via Boston.

### Today's Fish Market.

These prices are based on the last known sales.  
Salt handline Georges codfish, \$5.25 per cwt. for large, \$4.25 for medium.  
Salt trawl Georges codfish, \$5 for large, .00 for medium.  
Salt hake, \$1.75.  
Salt haddock, \$1.75.  
Salt cusk, \$2.50.  
Fresh haddock, \$1.20.  
Salt trawl bank codfish, \$4.50 for large, \$4.00 for medium, \$2.75 for snappers.  
Fresh halibut, 12 cts. per lb. for white and 8 cts. for gray.  
Fresh pollock, 70 cts. per cwt.  
Newfoundland salt herring, in bulk, \$4.50 per bbl.  
Newfoundland salt herring, barrelled, \$5.75 per bbl.

### Boston.

No arrivals today. Several vessels left over from yesterday are taking out.  
Haddock \$1.50 to \$3.15, large cod \$2.50 to \$5, market cod \$1.50 to \$3, hake \$2 to \$4, pollock \$2.50.

### Herring Notes.

Sch. Britannia with 650 barrels of frozen herring and sch. Slantly with 400 barrels arrived at Halifax Tuesday from Bay of Islands, N. F.

### Trawl Caught in Sunken Wreck

The beam trawler Spray, which arrived at Boston from her second trip with an ordinary fare, fished on Georges bank. Capt. Malone reports bad weather on the trip and also that the trawl was caught in a sunken wreck and that this caused considerable delay. The machinery and gear are now working much more smoothly and under favorable conditions he expects for larger fares hereafter.

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## FOR HIS GOOD WORK.

### Vessel Owners Assure Mr. Alexander of Their Appreciation.

Mr. A. B. Alexander, of the United States Bureau of Fisheries, assistant in charge of the divisions of statistics and methods of the fisheries, but who since last August has been on the United States Fish Commission sch. Grampus at Newfoundland, studying the migration of mackerel in those waters, and has also represented the United States at Bay of Islands through the herring fishery dispute of the fall and winter, returned to Washington yesterday afternoon, after speeding a week here, following his return from his long and delicate mission.

Since he returned, Mr. Alexander has given freely of his time to talks with local vessel owners and has given much information regarding the state of the herring fishery at Bay of Islands this season and how the vessels have been doing. As to the matters pertaining to the fishery trouble with Newfoundland and what has been done in regard to the same, Mr. Alexander has been very discreet and vouchsafed but little, preferring that it come from the state department, to whom he has made frequent reports.

Enough has been learned here from time to time, however, to show that he has been the right man in the right place, and through his tact and diplomacy has prevented any friction and accomplished a great deal for our vessel owners, skippers and fishermen. He has been most cordially treated since he came home, and left for Washington with the personal assurances from the various vessel owners of their appreciation of the good work he had accomplished in such a quiet and unostentatious manner.

It is understood that later the reports of Mr. Alexander on the vital points of them may be embodied in a government report, and if so it will be valuable and highly interesting document and be read with interest.

### Fine Record.

Sch. Teresa and Alice of Boston, Capt. George Perry, has made a fine record in the past ten days. This craft is one of the shore fishing fleet and has made three trips in ten days fishing on Middle Bank and landing 36,000 pounds of fresh fish on which the fine stock of \$60 to a man was made.

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## DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

### To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Elsie F. Rowe, shore.

### Today's Fish Market.

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Salt handline Georges codfish, \$5.25 per cwt. for large, \$4.25 for medium.  
Salt trawl Georges codfish, \$5 for large, .00 for medium.  
Salt hake, \$1.75.  
Salt haddock, \$1.75.  
Salt cusk, \$2.50.  
Fresh haddock, \$1.20.  
Salt trawl bank codfish, \$4.50 for large, \$4.00 for medium, \$2.75 for snappers.  
Fresh halibut, 12 cts. per lb. for white and 8 cts. for gray.  
Fresh pollock, 70 cts. per cwt.  
Newfoundland salt herring, in bulk, \$4.50 per bbl.  
Newfoundland salt herring, barrelled, \$5.75 per bbl.

### Boston.

Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley, 40,000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 5000 hake.  
Haddock, \$2.50.

### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Margaret was at Cans on Wednesday.

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### Herring Notes.

The British sch. Ida M. Clark, from Bay of Islands with a cargo of salt herring for Boston which put in here for harbor yesterday afternoon, sailed this morning.

A despatch to the Boston Fish Bureau from Bay Islands, N. F., yesterday says that every vessel that went to Bay of Islands is about sure to secure a load of herring and get away before the ice comes. The weather has been remarkably favorable for fishing and practically no ice formed. The despatch also says that all the Canadian vessels have loaded and are waiting a chance to sail, as are also schs. A. M. Nicholson and Atlanta. The remainder of the fleet will finish getting cargoes early next week.

Sch. Parthia arrived at this port this morning from Bay of Islands with a cargo of salt herring.

Sch. Edward A. Rich, Capt. Archibald Devine, arrived home from a herring trip to the Maine coast this morning, with 250 barrels of frozen herring. The vessels has been as far eastward as Bar Harbor and found fish very scarce.

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## HERRING NEWS.

### British Vessel Here Today with Frozen Cargo.

### Many Nets Lost at Bay of Islands in Recent Storm.

The British sch. Jennie May arrived at this port this morning from Bay of Islands, N. F., with a full cargo of frozen herring. The vessel was chartered by D. B. Smith & Co., and the cargo has been sold by them to New York parties and the vessel will sail for there to discharge.

The Western Star of last Wednesday says: "The herring fishery is still being actively prosecuted, although the results are not as successful as desired. Several days last week herring were very plentiful in the bottom of the Goose Arm, and some boats cleared as much as one hundred and thirty dollars in a day and a half by freezing their fish. Most of the Americans intend abandoning the voyage next week, by which time they expect to have all their vessels loaded. The local craft taking cargoes to Halifax and elsewhere most all got clear before the end of the year, so as to avoid payment of light dues. Most of the Bay St. George men have given up the fishery and gone home. The late storms played havoc with the nets, and as a result a great deal of gear was destroyed by the gales and by the owners of nets whose gear was fouled with that of other fishermen."

The Humber Arm froze over a week ago Friday, but the high wind on Saturday broke up the ice and drove it out the bay.

Recent dispatches from Bay of Islands state that the Humber is again frozen over and that communication with the fleet in the North and Middle Arms is difficult.

### LOST ANCHORS AND CABLE.

### Sch. Louisa Polleys Encountered Gale on Banks.

Sch. Louisa Polleys of this port, one of the Georges handline fleet, put in at Shelburne, N. S., a few days ago, with cable and two anchors gone and other damage. Her captain reported encountering a heavy gale on the banks recently, the vessel parting her cable twice. She had 10,000 pounds of salt cod on board and will return to this port.

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## DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

### To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Br. sch. Jennie May, Bay of Islands, N. F., 900 bbls frozen herring.  
Sch. W. H. Moody, Georges, 20,000 lbs. salt cod.

### Today's Fish Market.

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Salt trawl Georges codfish, \$5 for large, 00 for medium.  
Salt hake, \$1.75.  
Salt haddock, \$1.75.  
Salt cusk, \$2.50.  
Salt trawl bank codfish, \$4.50 for large, \$4.00 for medium, \$2.75 for snappers.  
Fresh halibut, 12 cts. per lb. for white and 8 cts. for gray.  
Newfoundland salt herring, in bulk, \$4.50 per bbl.  
Newfoundland salt herring, barrelled, \$5.75 per bbl.  
Shore frozen herring, for bait, \$2.50 to \$3.50 per cwt.

### Boston.

Sch. Margaret Dillon, 6000 haddock, 2000 cod, 500 hake.  
Sch. Mary Edith, 6500 haddock, 200 cod.  
Sch. Dixie, 1500 haddock, 1000 cod, 2500 hake.  
Sch. Carrie F. Roberts, 1500 haddock, 1000 cod.  
Br. sch. Ida M. Clark, 1282 bbls. salt herring.  
Sch. Metamora, 40,000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 10,000 hake.  
Sch. Manomet, 7000 haddock, 1000 cod.  
Sch. Hattie F. Knowlton, 2000 haddock, 4000 cod, 1000 hake.  
Sch. Evangelina, 1500 haddock, 1500 cod, 1500 hake.  
Haddock, \$2 to \$4.50; large cod, \$4.50 to \$5.50; market cod, \$3 to \$4.50; hake, \$2.50 to \$4.

### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Indiana was at Sandy Point, N. S. January 1 and cleared the same day.  
Sch. Preceptor was at Sandy Point, N. S., December 30 and cleared the same day.  
Sch. James R. Clark landed 8000 pounds of fresh fish at Yarmouth, N. S., last Friday.  
Sch. Effie M. Morrissey had 4000 pounds and sch. J. W. Couzens had 3000. The fish will be shipped to Boston.

## IN NORTH ARM.

### Herring Are Now Reported as Quite Plenty.

### Not Much Danger from Ice for Some Time Yet.

A gentleman who arrived here yesterday, having left Bay of Islands, N. F., three days ago, reports that herring have struck in good shape in the North Arm and that several of the fleet have gone there from the Middle Arm to finish loading. He also reports that the weather was cold and that there was plenty of frost.

Capt. George Turner of sch. Parthia which arrived here this morning from Bay of Islands with a fare of salt herring, reports that just before he left there was a report received that the herring had struck in the North Arm. The Parthia made a fine passage home, leaving Bay of Islands on last Sunday.

Capt. Turner says that there has been no sign of ice as yet and everybody at Bay of Islands is looking for an open winter. No ice had been reported to the northward and he believed that vessels could come and go at Bay of Islands until the end of this month at least.

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## WILL GRANT LICENSES.

### Canadian Government Follows Customary Course.

### GRANTS FIRST ONE FOR 1906.

### Sch. Margaret Secured It at Canso Last Week.

The Canadian government has decided to issue modus vivendi licenses to American vessels this year, as it has for many years past.

For some time there has been considerable in the Nova Scotia press as to granting these licenses, the principal and almost only objection coming from the neighborhood of North Sydney and Sydney, C. B. Many papers from other ports along the Nova Scotia coast have favored the continuance of granting the licenses, and there has been some doubt as to how the matter would end.

The question was answered a few days ago in the affirmative. Sch. Margaret, Capt. Samuel Colson, of this port, put in at Canso, N. S., and Capt. Colson immediately went ashore and reported at the custom house and also applied for a license. There was evidently some doubt as to what should be done, for the customs officials telegraphed to the authorities at Ottawa for instructions, and received orders to issue the licenses as usual.

Capt. Colson got his license, took a baiting and sailed for the fishing grounds.

## FRESH HERRING.

### Local Torchers Took 30 Barrels Last Night.

### Catch Is Considered the Latest on Record.

Three of the local torching fleet were out last night in Ipswich river and succeeded in securing 32 barrels of fresh herring. The fish were small, but were in great demand by the small boats and readily brought \$4 per barrel. They were handled by Capt. William McDonald.

Capt. George McLean's boat had eight barrels, Arthur Middleton 15 barrels and Everett Jones nine barrels.

Old herring torchers and bait men who have been long in the business say that this is the latest in the season that they remember of fresh herring being taken. The latest date they remember previous to this was some years ago when seven barrels were landed January 1.

## COLLECTING COD EGGS.

### Steamer Columbia Has Been Chartered by Government.

The steamer Columbia of this port has been chartered for the winter by the United States Bureau of Fisheries and will be used in the collection of cod eggs from the Ipswich Bay fleet which lands its fares at Portsmouth. Capt. G. F. O. Hanson, commander of the United States Fish Commission sch. Grampus, will be in command of the craft.

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## DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

### To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, shore, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Mary Cabral, shore, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Mary E. Cooney, shore.  
Sch. Belhina P. Domingoes, shore.  
Sch. Ida S. Brooks, shore.  
Sch. Mary E. Silveira, shore.  
Sch. Maud F. Silva, shore.  
Sch. Emily Cooney, shore.  
Sch. Minerva, shore.  
Sch. Tecumseh, shore.  
Sch. James S. Steele, shore.  
Sch. Mattakesett, shore.  
Sch. John M. Keen, shore.  
Sch. Henrietta G. Martin, shore.

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### Boston.

Sch. Pythian, 3000 haddock, 500 cod.  
Sch. Teresa and Alice, 12,000 haddock, 500 cod, 1500 hake.  
Sloop Venus, 1900 cod.  
Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 15,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 10,000 hake.  
Sch. Hope, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod.  
Sch. Motor, 1000 haddock, 7000 cod.  
Sch. Flaviola, 6500 haddock, 500 cod.  
Sch. Walter P. Goulart, 7000 haddock.  
Sch. Galatea, 2500 haddock, 1000 cod, 1500 hake.  
Sch. Flora J. Sears, 6000 haddock, 1000 cod.  
Sch. Ramona, 5000 haddock, 500 cod.  
Sch. Etta Mildred, 5000 haddock, 200 cod, 1500 hake.  
Sch. Elsie F. Rowe, 4500 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.  
Sch. Mattie Brundage, 4000 haddock, 1000 cod, 3000 hake.  
Sch. A. C. Newhall, 4000 haddock, 1500 cod.  
Sch. Massasoit, 1500 haddock, 17,000 cod.  
Sch. Grace W. Hone, 1400 cod.  
Sch. Priscilla, 7000 haddock, 1500 cod.  
Haddock, \$3.50 to \$4.75; large cod, \$5.50 to \$6; market cod, \$3 to \$4; hake, \$3.00 to \$5.75.

## Bounty on Sharks.

The history of many states tells of occasions when bounties were offered for the extermination of different pests. We all remember that dear old Leather Stocking paid his fine for killing a deer with the ears of the "painter." Bounties have been paid for coyotes, gophers, rattlesnakes and other creatures which were troublesome to communities. Our ancestors paid bounties for scalps, and a horrible traffic it seems looking at it from this distance. Representative Tirrell of Massachusetts would have bounties paid upon dogfish and dogfish sharks. Those useless denizens of the deep are doing great damage to the food fishes of the north Atlantic, and it is Tirrell's idea to give 2 cents for the tail of each that is caught between Eastport, Me., and Cape Hatteras, North Carolina. It does not often happen that the government pays bounties, and the proposition will not pass.